

IN THE UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT  
FOR THE NORTHERN DISTRICT OF OHIO  
EASTERN DIVISION

ALICIA D. LESLIE,	)	CASE NO: 1:14-cv-02261
	)	
Plaintiff,	)	JUDGE DONALD C. NUGENT
	)	
v.	)	
	)	
CAROLYN W. COLVIN,	)	
Acting Commissioner of Social	)	
Security,	)	<b>MEMORANDUM OPINION</b>
	)	<b>AND ORDER</b>
Defendant.	)	<b>(Doc. No. 17)</b>

On July 15, 2015, Plaintiff, Alicia D. Leslie, through her attorney, Matthew W. Weeks, filed a motion for attorney fees under the Equal Access to Justice Act ("EAJA"), 28 U.S.C. § 2412(d), in the amount of \$9,650.00. (Application for Attorney Fees ("EAJA Application"), Doc. No. 17.) On July 29, 2015, the Commissioner filed an opposition to Plaintiff's EAJA Motion. (Doc. No. 20.) On August 7, 2015, Plaintiff filed a reply in support of her EAJA Motion. (Doc. No. 21.)

On August 11, 2015, the parties filed a Joint Proposed Stipulation to an Award of Fees under the EAJA in the amount of \$6,000.00. (Doc. No. 22.) The Court finds the stipulated amount to be reasonable. Therefore, the Court awards Plaintiff \$6,000.00 in attorney fees pursuant to the EAJA. This award shall satisfy all of Plaintiff's claims for fees and expenses under 28 U.S.C. § 2412.

Pursuant to the parties' stipulation, any fees paid belong to Plaintiff and can be offset to satisfy any pre-existing debt that Plaintiff owes the United States. If counsel for the parties can verify that Plaintiff owes no pre-existing debts to the United States that are subject to offset, Defendant shall direct that the award be made payable to Plaintiff's

counsel subject to the assignment signed by Plaintiff and her counsel, and shall direct the Treasury Department to mail any check in this matter to the business address of Plaintiff's counsel.

**IT IS SO ORDERED.**

*/s/ Donald C. Nugent*  
U.S. DISTRICT JUDGE

Date: August 27, 2015